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## MEMORANDUM FOR DLA EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM COMMANDERS, DLA PRIMARY LEVEL FIELD ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: Blacks In Government (BIG) 2 1" Annual National Training Conference (NTC) August 16-20, 1999

The 2 I" Annual Blacks In Government National Training Conference, is scheduled for August 16-20, 1999, at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana. This year's conference theme is "Building Bridges Through Partnerships, Productivity, and Unity."

The Department of Defense (DoD) and DLA endorse the goals and objectives of BIG and its training conference. Supporting memoranda from the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Management Policy and the BIG training conference program announcement are attached for your information and use in planning appropriate training attendance.

In conjunction with the BIG NTC, the DoD will again conduct a forum at the conference site. The DoD Forum will be conducted on Tuesday, August 17, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and will focus on issues affecting African Americans.

As in previous years, we hold a DLA pre-conference training workshop at the conference site for Black Employment Program (BEP) Managers. The DLA training workshop will be held on Monday, August 16, 1999, from 8.30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., details have not been finalized; further information is forthcoming. The DLA session provides an opportunity for our field Special Emphasis Program (SEP) Managers to meet/confer with the DLA BEP Manager, network with their counterparts, and receive information regarding the direction of the Agency's BEP. This year's DLA training workshop theme is "Catch 21: Sustaining World Class Performance in the 21st Century"

DLA strongly encourages the attendance at this training conference by managers/supervisors. human resources professionals/specialists, SEP staff, and any other personnel involved in policies related to recruitment, employment, retention and advancement of African American employees Training requests from personnel who may not have a programmatic interest but who would like to develop or improve his/her professional skills should also be considered

Please ensure widest distribution of this information within your organization. The names, organization, and telephone numbers of those employees attending the BIG NTC and participating in the DoD Forum and DLA seminar should be provided by July 23, 1999, to Mr. Lennon Baccus of the Headquarters Equal Employment Opportunity Office (CAAH) at DSN 427-1113/00 or Commercial (703) 767-1113/1 100. The CAAH facsimile number is commercial (703) 767-1 110 or DSN 427-1 110. You may also E-mail your response to Mr. Baccus at lennon baccus@hq.dla.mil.

Acting Staff Director

(Equal Employment Opportunity Office)

Attachments

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